GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:111
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2002
SETTING UP OF POWER PLANTS BY RAILWAYS .
AKHILESH SINGH

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the railways are contemplating to generate power for its own use;

(b) if so, the details of proposals of power plants to be set up indicating the location of the site therefor; and

(c) the power in mega watts required by Indian Railways per year and the expenditure likely to be incurred per year thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.111 BY SHRI KUNWAR AKHI SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 7.3.2002 REGARDING SETTING UP OF POWER PLANTS BY RAILWAYS.

(a) Yes, Sir. Railways are contemplating to generate power jointly with National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd (NTPC) for its own use.

(b) Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed on 18.2.2002between the Ministry of Railways and National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd (NTPC) for setting up of joint venture power projects. As per MoU, a project committee consisting of members from Ministry of Railways and NTPC shall be constituted to prepare the techno-economic feasibility study report. On the basis of the report, appropriate action shall be taken.

(c) Indian Railway requires about 2000 MW power for both traction and non-traction purposes.The expenditure likely to be incurred by Railways would be worked out by the Project Committee.